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Dear Sir:

The undersigned **Eric S. Kentor** is a representative authorized to sign on behalf of the assignee of the entire interest in the above-identified subject application, **MiniMed Inc.** and hereby appoints:

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MiniMed Inc., per 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b), certifies that the evidentiary documents with respect to its ownership have been reviewed and that to the best of the undersign's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee seeking this action.

MiniMed Inc., declares that 100% ownership is established by an assignment to be in the Regular Utility Patent Application, and that the Inventors are under an obligation to assign the application to **MiniMed Inc.**

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IMPROVED FLUID RESERVOIR PISTON

Which is described and claimed in:

the attached specification or
 the specification in application Serial No. 09/698,783 filed 10/27/00
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and for which a patent is sought, and that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I acknowledge my duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56(a).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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